

# FISCAL NOTE

## SB 689 - HB 1213

April 5, 2001

### SUMMARY OF BILL:

- Creates a Class E felony offense for a person who carries or possesses any firearm or explosive device while committing or escaping from a felony.
- Requires that the offender be charged for the firearm offense in addition to the predicate offense and not be eligible for suspension of sentence.
- Requires that the period of incarceration be served consecutively to any other sentence and requires 100% of the sentence to be served.

### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

#### **Increase State Expenditures - \$7,717,900/Incarceration\***

Assumes 500 offenses each year involve possession of firearms and the offenders will serve a minimum of one additional year incarcerated consecutively to any other sentence imposed.

*\*Section 9-4-210, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated for operating cost, in current dollars, shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years, beginning with the year the additional sentence to be served impacts the correctional facilities population.*

### CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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